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BOTTOM LINE UP FRONT:

- Mandatory evacuations of a chemical plant near the Harris County/Liberty County border and surrounding areas due to risk of explosion due to a heat/pressure increase
- FEMA Region 6 RRCC remains at a Level I
- Texas SOC remains at Level I

SITUATION:

- The Arkema Plant near the border of Harris County/Liberty County has reported an incident involving the buildup of pressure and an increase in temperature at their peroxide related facility leading to the risk of an explosion. The surrounding area has 339 housing units with a population of 834 (assumption: 1.5 mile blast radius)
- Plant officials at the facility are evacuating and local first responders are going door to door in residential areas to inform residents of mandatory evacuation. The number remaining to evacuate is unknown at this time.
- Company CEO estimates explosion may occur within the next 12 hours

ACTIONS/FOLLOW UP:

- R6 RRCC SAS Unit will monitor and report as necessary

SOURCE OF INFORMATION:

- DHS IP
- EPA

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